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SUBJECT.

Memorial of one Mr. Appu Rao of Madura re the identity of the Swamigalu of Sri Vyasarayaswami Matt.

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emorial regarding the identity of the Swamigalu of the Sri Vyasarayaswami att at Sosale T. Narsipur Taluk.

From

The Private Secretary to His Highness the Maharaja.

No. 1814/4404, dated 30th April 1908.

Rao G. Appoo Rao, Retired Public servant and Dharmakarta of Chittampatti Chatram, Madura, Madras Presidency, with many others, has memorialized His Highness, stating that one Sree Lakshmi Priya Theertha Sripadangalavaru, who is in no way connected with the Sosale Sri Vyasarayaswami Matt, proclaiming himself to be the proper and rightful heir and representative of the said matt, obtained a decree accordingly in the High Court of Judicature at Madras. They further represent that the disciples of the said Matt residing in South

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Canara and Bangalore memorialized in 1904 and 1906 respectively, setting forth the above facts and praying that adequate measures might be taken for maintaining intact the time-honored prestige and enormous endowments of the Sosale Sri Vyasaroya Matt and for preventing their being disturbed or in any manner interfered with by an outsider who succeeded to obtain a decree in his favour as above stated, but that the manner of disposal of those memorials were not communicated to the memorialists In conclusion, the present memorialists state that they are given to understand that the said Sri Sri Lakshmi Priya Theertha Sripadangalavaru intends going on a pilgrimage to Rameswaram and as he may probably halt at Madura on his way thereto, the memorialists pray that they may be informed whether the last-named Sivaganga is the Guru of the Sosale Sri Vyasaroya Matt, recognised by the Mysore Govt., for purposes of their determining whether they should pay homage to him. This memorial has been forwarded to this Office by the Private Secretary to His Highness, with the request that a suitable reply may be

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sent to the Memorialists without delay"

It is submitted that after the demise of Srimad Vidya Sri Samudra Theertha Sripadangalavaru in October 1906, the present Swamigalu succeeded to the High Priestship of the Sosale Sri Vyasarayaswami Matth under the titular name of "Srimad Vidya Sri Ratnakara Theertha Sripadangalavaru", and his succession was recognised in Govt Pro' no 2702-13 Muz I-57-92, dated 21st November 1906 Vide Printed copy of the Order which is put up

Sri Lakshmi Priya Theertha Sripadangalavaru, referred to in the memorial is observed from the linked file herewith submitted to be the name of the Swamigalu of the Kundapur Vyasarayaswami Matth with its head quarters at Abbur in the Chennapatna Taluk. Of the 2 petitions referred to in the present memorial to His Highness, it is observed from the records that the Petn. of the year 1904

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(petitions) have been made by the ryots of the Kundapur Taluk of the South Canara District, who complained that one Sri Lakshmi Priya Theertha Swami styling himself as the Guru of the Vyasarayaswami Matt had been attempting to take possession of certain lands endowed to that matt. The petition was referred to the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District, and on his reporting that the said Swamigalu was the real Guru of the Kundapur Vyasaraya matt and that the Swamigalu had been engaged in litigation for the recovery of the mesne profits of the main lands endowed to that Matt situated in South Canara, an endorse was issued Slip X M No 5361 d/30-5-01 from this Office to the petitioners rejecting their petition on the ground that Sri Lakshmi Priya Theertha Sripadangalavaru was the recognised Guru of the Kundapur Vyasarayaswami Matt

The other Petn is

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from the disciples of the Sri Vyasarayaswami Matt who stated that the Kundapur or Abbur Vyasarayaswami Matt was only a branch of the Sri Uttaradi Matt that the addition of the name of Vyasarayaswami was misleading and that the Matt might be merely named Kundapur or Abbur Matt so that it might not lay claim to the properties belonging to the Sri Vyasaraya-Swami Matt at Sosale. As no question was raised by the Matts concerned in this respect an Endorsement* was issued to the Petrs that the Govt considered it unnecessary to go into the question which had not been raised by the Matts concerned.

* No. 932 dy 4.8.06. Slip II d

The Swamigalu of the Sri Vyasaraya Swami Matt has written to this Office recently* (No 4581 dy 15th May 1908) pointing out that the Swamigalu of the Sri

* (Govt Agent written to for a report)

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matt has been calling himself the Swamiyaru of the Sri Vyasarayaswami matt, and requesting inquiry into the matter.

The Government have not been pleased to institute an inquiry into the matter and submit a full report.

Meanwhile, the memorialists may, it is submitted, be informed that the proper and well known Vyasarayaswami matt is the one at Sosale which is now presided over by Srimad Vidya Sri Ratnakara Teertha Swamigalu, that there is another matt called Abbur Vyasarayaswami matt alias Kundapur Vyasarayaswami matt which is presided over by Sri Lakshmi Pr... Teertha Swamigalu, and that the question whether the last named matt is entitled to the name of Vyasaraya Swami matt or not is a matter for investigation, and that the Petitioners may do however

with Hadgers at Abbur Chavadi in Channapatna Taluk

to whichever of the above named matters they please.

524/5.6.08

Subd. to the 2nd Joint Commr. G. Ananta Lakshmi
5-6-1908

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Approved
VRN
6/6/08

Draft carefully GA 6/6/08
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To

M. R. Ry. G. Appa Rao, Dharmakartha,
Madura

Endorsement No. 5642 & 17 6-1908

Informs him that the proper and well known Sri Vyasaraya Math is the one at Gooty and that the question whether the Sri Vyasaraya Swami Matt alias Vyasadevaramana Matt with Head-

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at Ablur in the Chennapatna Taluk is entitled to the name of Vyasaraya Matt or not is a matter for investigation and that the memorialists may do homage to whichever of the above-named matts they please

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The Govt. Agent, Sri Vyasarayaswami Matt

Memo No. 5643 dy 17. 6. 1908

Forwarded copy of the above

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— Ditto —

G. A. No. 5644 dy 17 6 1908

Forwarded for early enquiry and report Sri Mukha No. 4581 dy 15 6 1908 from the Swamigalu of Sri Vyasarayaswami Matt at Sosale, requesting that the Private Matt Swamigalu is asking him the reason for the non-appearance of the

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OFFICE OF THE PRIVATE SECRETARY TO
HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,
Ootacamund 30th April, 1908.

No. 2650/1

Please call for
Rest. + submit with a
short note. 4/5/08

Petition as shown below, to His Highness the Maharaja, is transferred to the Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Muzroi Department, Bangalore, ~~for~~ with the request that a suitable reply may be sent to the memorialists without delay.

No. 1314 of 07-08.

By Order,

Reply issued
No 5642 dt 17/6/08

For. *Private Secretary*
to H. H. The Maharajah of Mysore.

1906-07

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

MUZRAI

PROCEEDINGS

Dated 21st November 1906

No. 2702-13 / Muz. 57-1892

Recognizing the succession of Vedamurti Ahobalachar as the Swami of the Sri Sosale Vyasarayaswami Matt in the T.-Narsipur Taluk, under the titular name of "Srimat Vidya Sri Ratnakara Tirtha Sripadangalavaru."

GPB—1-12-06—200

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Muzrai, dated 21st November 1906.

READ—

1. Government Proceedings No. 233-42—Muz F. 102-92, dated 14th December 1892, laying down rules for the succession of Gurus to Matts enjoying State grants.

2. Vignapanapatrika No. 1602, dated 8th September 1906, from the Secretary to Government, Muzrai Department, to the Swamigalu of the Sri Vyasarayaswami Matt at Sosale, informing him upon receipt of information of his illness, that he should not give Asrama to any one without obtaining the previous approval of Government.

3. D. O. dated the 12th September 1906, from the Secretary to Government, Muzrai Department, to the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District.

4. Vignapanapatrika No. 1945, dated 6th October 1906, from the Muzrai Secretary to the Swamigalu, requesting him to place before Government the names of some eligible persons for succeeding him as High Priest of the Matt and stating that the approval of the Government should be awaited before giving Asrama to any one

5 Srimukha No. 1950, dated 7th October 1906, from the Swamigalu, mentioning the names of three persons, *viz.*, Ahobalachar, Krishnaswamiachar and Pattabhiramachar as being eligible to succeed him and stating that if Ahobalachar did not accept the Asrama, either of the other two might be selected

6. Vignapanapatrika No 1950, dated 7th October 1906, from the Muzrai Secretary to the Swamigalu, conveying the approval of Government to the nomination of Vedamurti Ahobalacharya, who was a very learned Pandit attached to the Matt and who commanded the respect of the disciples of the Matt and was in every way qualified to hold the exalted position of Guru of the Matt.

7 Letter No. 126, dated 10th October 1906, from Mr. Kantaraj Urs, B.A., Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, forwarding the Senior Assistant Commissioner Mr. S. Vaidyanatha Iyer's report stating that Vedamurti Ahobalacharya was given Asrama by the Swamigalu and duly installed as successor to the Matt on the 8th October 1906 under the titular name of Srimat Vidya Sri Ratnakara Tirtha Sripadangalavaru, and forwarding two Srimukhas from the senior and junior Swamis reporting the event.

8. Telegram No. 2013, dated the 20th October 1906, from the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, reporting the death on the 19th idem of Srimat Vidya Sri Samudra Tirtha Sripadangalavaru, the senior Swami of the Matt

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No. 2702-13—MUZ. 57-1892, DATED BANGALORE, 21ST NOVEMBER 1906.

ORDER THEREON.—The Government of His Highness the Maharaja are pleased to formally recognize the succession of Vedamurti Ahobalachar as the Swami of the Sri Sosale Vyasaravaswami Matt, under the titular name of "Srimat Vidya Sri Ratnakara Tirtha Sripadangalavaru," with effect from the 19th October 1906.

L. ANANTASAMI RAO,
Secretary, Muzrai Department.

To—The Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District.
The Deputy Commissioners of other Districts.
The Comptroller to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.
The Superintendent of Inam Settlements in Mysore.
The Officer in charge of the Palace Establishments in Mysore
The Government Agent of the Sri Vyasarayaswami Matt at Sosale.

Drafts as per Dis orders.

Madurai 16 2 08

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Endorsement granted to M. R. Ry. G. Appoo Rao, Dharma-Karta of Chittampatti Chatram, and residing in No. 488, Danappa Moodelly Street, Madura, and others, with reference to their memorial Regd. No 4404/1314, dated 13th April 1908, addressed to H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore, requesting to be furnished with information regarding the Sri Vyasarayaswami Matth &c.

In reply, the memorialists are informed that the proper and well-known Sri Vyasa-rayaswami Matth is the one at Sosale which is now presided over by Srimad Vidya Sri Ratnakara Theertha Swamiji, that there is another Matth

called the Abbur Vyasarayaswami Matt alias Kundapur Vyasaraya-swami Matt with Head Quarters at Abbur in the Chennapatna Taluk, which is presided over by Sri Lakshmi Priya Theertha Swamigalu, and that the question whether the ~~last~~ last named Matt is entitled to the name of Vyasarayaswami Matt or not is a matter for investigation, and that the Memorialists may do homage to whichever of the above named Matts they please.

By Order,

13/6/08

Secretary.

5643 (Cis order)

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Copy to Govt Agent, Sri Vyasaraya Matt, for information & in continuation of this office No. dated June 1908.

By Order

Secretary

Draft as per Cr's orders.
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5644 Encl
17. 6. 1908

The accompanying Srimukha No. 4581, dated 15th May 1908, received from the Swamigalu of the Sri Vyasarayaswami Matt at Sosale in the T. Narsipur Tk, complaining that the Swamigalu of the Abbur Matt has been calling himself the Swamigalu of the Sri Vyasarayaswami Matt and requesting enquiry into the matter, is forwarded to the Head Agent, Sri Vyasarayaswami Matt, for early enquiry and report.

By Order,

Cr's order)

13/6/08
Secretary
13.6.08

5796 Register a Patika to the Swamigalu